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In re application of

Koji ARITA et al.

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Group 2812

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Examiner Renne R. Berry

Title: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING

SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING DAMASCENE INTERCONNECTION

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 7, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 7, 2004, for which the period for response has been extended three months, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 7 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

An Appendix is attached following the signature page of this paper.